

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

BOARDS OF TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1919.

(253d ANNUAL REPORT)

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1920.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The undersigned Treasurer of the Town of Mendon for the financial year ending December 31, 1919, submits an account of his doings.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums, viz. :—

To cash received from Treasurer for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918	\$1,078 59
To cash received from Milford Savings Bank	1,000 00
To cash received from Collector, 1916	3 79
To cash received from Collector, 1917	595 05
To cash received from Collector, 1918	2,279 36
To cash received from Collector, 1919	13,714 36
To cash received from Worcester Con- solidated St. Ry. Co., 1918	761 93
To cash received from M. & U. St. Ry. Co.	283 59
To cash received from M. & U. St. Ry. Co.	106 91
To cash received from Worcester Con- solidated St. Ry. Co.	553 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, School Fund	1,187 07
To cash received from State Treasurer, Income tax	614 65
To cash received from State Treasurer, State General Fund	100 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, balance Corporation tax	10 83
To cash received from State Treasurer, account State road, 1918	560 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, account State road, 1919	500 00

To cash received from State Treasurer, tuition school children . . .	\$ 37 40
To cash received from State Treasurer, inspection of animals . . .	24 71
To cash received from State Treasurer, highway and bridges . . .	2,150 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, Public Service Corporation tax . . .	160 92
To cash received from State Treasurer, National Bank tax . . .	672 21
To cash received from State Treasurer, Street Railway tax . . .	43 42
To cash received from State Treasurer, State Aid . . .	216 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, Soldiers' Exemption . . .	45 58
To cash received from State Treasurer, Supervision of Schools . . .	875 00
To cash received from State Treasurer, Corporation tax business . . .	11 06
To cash received from County Treas- urer, dog tax . . .	208 62
To cash received from N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., account fires . . .	151 90
To cash received from City of Boston, Tuition . . .	86 10
To cash received from City of Worces- ter, Tuition . . .	44 00
To cash received from M. & U. St. Ry., Grove license . . .	100 00
To cash received from damages to school building . . .	4 70
To cash received from rent of Alliance room . . .	12 00
To cash received from Janitor Town Hall . . .	107 50
To cash received from sale of old books	8 75

To cash received from T. Frank Rogers, Skating Rink license	\$ 10 00
To cash received from Commissioner of Weights and Measures	3 00
To cash received from Welcome Home committee	38 78
To cash received from F. M. Aldrich, old junk and lumber	25 22
To cash received from 3d District Court	81 54
To cash received from R. Daley, Pool Table license	2 00
To cash received from Taft Public Li- brary, fines	12 50
To cash received from Taft Public Li- brary, sale of lamp	75
To cash received from W. A. Barry, $\frac{1}{2}$ fees hay scales	5 20
To cash received from School District No. 1 fund	31 43
To cash received from Rosa F. Taft	500 00
	<hr/> \$37,959 42

The Treasurer credits himself with paying the following sums, viz. :—

By paying Town orders	\$18,825 10
By paying School Department	2,546 13
By paying two notes new school build- ing	650 00
By paying one note anticipation of rev- enue 1918	1,500 00
By paying four notes anticipation of revenue 1919	9,000 00
By paying interest on notes	388 48
By paying State Treasurer, State tax	1,912 00
By paying County Treasurer, County tax	801 00
By paying Bureau of Statistics	10 00

By paying Taft Public Library . . .	\$ 22 13	
By cash on hand to balance . . .	2,304 58	
	<hr/>	\$37,959 42

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

DR.

To cash received L. T. Gaskill, treasurer, deposited in Milford Savings Bank 1918	\$846 18	
To cash received Worcester County Institution for Savings	302 39	
To cash received Interest Milford Sav- ings Bank	37 33	
To cash received Interest Worcester County Institution for Savings	13 75	
To cash received U. S. Liberty Bond registered	500 00	
To cash received Interest on Bond de- posited in Milford Savings Bank	21 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,720 90

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By cash paid Town orders	\$ 62 24	
By cash deposited in Milford Savings Bank	842 52	
By cash deposited in Worcester County Institution for Savings	316 14	
By one U. S. Liberty Bond regis- tered	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,720 90

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 FUND.

DR.

To amount deposited Milford Savings Bank Jan. 1, 1919	\$605 26	
To Interest received on same to Oct. 15, 1919	27 52	
	<hr/>	\$632 78

CR.

By cash received Milford Savings Bank,		
Interest School District No. 1		
Fund for use of School Department	\$ 31 43	
By cash deposited in Milford Savings		
Bank	601 35	
	<hr/>	\$632 78

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

To cash deposited in Milford Savings		
Bank	\$200 00	
To cash, Interest on same to Oct. 15,		
1919	6 80	
	<hr/>	\$206 80

CR.

By cash deposited in Milford Savings		
Bank.	\$206 80	

The notes against the Town January 1, 1920, are:—

4 New School Building notes, \$500 each	\$2,000 00	
4 New School Building notes, \$150 each	600 00	
1 Note anticipation of revenue	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,600 00

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD T. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

Mendon, January 1, 1920.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of Mendon submit the following report
for the financial year ending December 31, 1919:—

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid George M. Taft, auditor . . .	\$ 6 00	
Charles H. Allen, assessor . . .	105 00	
Samuel W. Wood, assessor . . .	90 00	
C. A. Fletcher, assessor . . .	90 00	
Arthur E. Brown, dog officer . . .	10 00	
Carl M. Taft, selectman . . .	50 00	
Carl M. Taft, fire warden . . .	10 00	
George G. Davenport, selectman . . .	35 00	
George G. Davenport, overseer of poor	6 00	
Herbert S. Wood, selectman . . .	30 00	
Arthur E. Brown, constable . . .	25 00	
F. M. Aldrich, moth scout . . .	10 00	
F. M. Aldrich, tree warden . . .	10 00	
F. M. Aldrich, overseer of poor . . .	6 00	
Charles H. Allen, town clerk and registrar	75 00	
Charles H. Allen, sealer of weights and measures, less fees . . .	11 15	
Leonard T. Gaskill, treasurer, 1919 . . .	100 00	
P. John Hoberg, overseer of poor . . .	45 00	
Leonard T. Gaskill, collector, 1917 . . .	100 00	
		\$814 15

MOTH SCOUT.

Paid Clarence H. Moores, 34½ days' labor . . .	\$102 60	
Frank M. Aldrich, labor . . .	168 63	
G. M. Aldrich, labor . . .	3 50	
		\$274 73

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Worcester Suburban Co.	\$503 68
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MEMORIAL DAY.

Paid Memorial Day committee	\$60 00
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CARE OF OLD CEMETERY.

Orders to park commissioners	\$47 25
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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid E. T. Powers, inspecting meats	\$ 6 50
G. G. Davenport, inspecting meats	15 00
Dr. F. H. Lally, Pennell case	20 00
Nora Rowell, Pennell case	24 00
Dr. F. H. Lally, fumigating	6 00
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	\$71 50

FIRE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING FOREST FIRES.

Paid State of Massachusetts, chemicals	\$ 9 39
Carl M. Taft, chimney fire, B. Whit- ing's	1 00
Pay roll, Mill River fire	18 20
Pay roll, Craggin Hill fire	19 60
Pay roll, fire near electric road	4 70
C. M. Taft, express and carting	1 37
Lock-up fire pay roll	15 50
Knight & Thomas, acid bottles	10 00
H. M. Burr, electric bulbs	2 60
Worcester Suburban Elec. Co., heat	32 40
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	\$114 76

TREE WARDEN.

Paid F. M. Aldrich, pruning and cutting trees	\$25 50
Clarence H. Moores, cutting trees	3 00
G. M. Aldrich, cutting trees	12 25
Clark Ellis & Sons, creosote	85
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	\$41 60

STATE AID TO PENSIONERS, 12 MONTHS.

State aid to pensioners, 12 months	.	.	\$216 00
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TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Order to trustees	.	.	.	\$327 24
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INCIDENTALS.

PRINTING.

Paid Charlescraft Press, printing reports	.	.	.	\$72 40
Charlescraft Press, tax bills, etc.				12 00
A. W. Brownell, assessors' blanks				5 08
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	.	.		3 71
G. M. Billings, ballots, tally sheets, etc.	.	.	.	23 50
Milford Daily News, notices and warrants	.	.	.	46 40
			<hr/>	\$163 09

BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS.

Paid Moses M. Coleman	.	.	.	\$4 00
Rufus E. Taft	.	.	.	3 00
R. L. Daley	.	.	.	3 00
John J. Driscoll	.	.	.	5 00
E. F. Driscoll	.	.	.	4 50
			<hr/>	\$19 50

POLICE.

Paid Frank S. Brown, traffic officer at Park	.	.	.	\$116 00
Frank S. Brown, services July 3 and 4	.	.	.	4 00
F. K. Brown, services July 3 and 4				4 00
Arthur E. Brown, services July 3 and 4	.	.	.	4 00
Arthur E. Brown, service in Skaviski case	.	.	.	11 00
			<hr/>	\$139 00

TOWN HALL.

Paid Worcester Sub. Elec. Co., light .	\$46 59
George M. Taft, 2 cord wood .	18 00
C. H. Allen, repairs . .	7 43
Moore & Shattuck . . .	8 15
Arthur E. Brown, janitor . .	80 00
J. F. Leonard, lettering doors .	1 00
P. Norman, sawing wood . .	6 00
Nathan F. Towne, housing wood .	1 50
E. H. Taft, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood . .	6 00

 \$174 67

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E. T. Powers, auto and time looking up damage, etc., State road	\$ 5 50
W. and L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer	3 45
George W. Wood, returning deaths	2 00
L. T. Gaskill, car fares, postage, etc.	4 18
W. E. Whitney, repairing clock .	2 50
N. E. Tel. Co., toll calls . . .	5 45
H. J. George, 5 insurance policies .	128 95
H. G. Ramsey, electrical supplies .	3 75
On account of Tubercular Hospital	3 00
Carl M. Taft, labor on watering trough	3 00
C. M. Wilbur, labor on watering trough	1 00
M. U. Gaskill, cattle inspector .	49 42
C. M. Taft, use of auto by assessors	15 00
Jarvis Thayer, burying dog . .	2 00
Charles Kimball, trucking . . .	2 00
Sanford, Putnam Co., book for overseers	9 50
H. J. George, insurance . . .	36 82
L. H. Barney Est., coal for record room	12 40

S. D. Vincent, legal services for collector	\$ 2 00
Sanford, Putnam Co., book for selectmen	32 00
Worcester Abstract Co., returns for assessors	17 95
James L. Lilley, signboards at Park	24 10
J. T. Murphy, services in criminal case	4 72
Arthur E. Brown, killing and burying dog	2 00
E. T. Powers, labor on watering trough	4 50
H. M. Burr, fuse plugs	21
F. M. Aldrich, removing old scales	30 00
C. H. Allen, sealing hay scales and setting glass	2 40
C. H. Allen, preparing duplicate valuation book	21 55
Samuel W. Wood, preparing duplicate valuation book	21 00
Carter Ink Co., State ink	42
E. A. Sears, care of lawns	16 00
Wendell Williams, recording deeds and advice to surveyor	5 00
G. Kenneth Taft, use of team	2 00
H. J. George, insurance policies on chapel	46 75
H. J. George, teller, and administering oaths	12 00
C. H. Allen, recording and indexing 10 births	10 00
C. H. Allen, recording and indexing 16 marriages	8 00
C. H. Allen, recording and indexing 20 deaths	10 00
C. H. Allen, administering oaths to 34 officers	8 50

C. H. Allen, care of record room and lawn	\$12 00
C. H. Allen, car fare and express	3 00
C. H. Allen, postage	3 50
C. H. Allen, expenses to clerks' meeting	2 00
C. H. Allen, blanks for clerk and ink for ballot box	1 25
Leonard T. Gaskill, postage	7 50
Leonard T. Gaskill, car fares	9 60
Leonard T. Gaskill, expenses to Boston	2 33
Leonard T. Gaskill, bunting	75
Leonard T. Gaskill, use of well	5 00
Leonard T. Gaskill, making reports for bureau statistics	7 00
Emerson & Co., dies for sealer	3 60
Walter Watson, returning deaths	2 00
Frank H. Wood, moderator	5 00
	<hr/> \$1,131 81

NEW GUIDE BOARDS.

Paid E. T. Powers, auto and time	\$ 2 00
J. F. Leonard, painting and lettering	19 35
J. F. Leonard, painting and lettering	6 25
Staples & Gould, paint	4 40
Lebanon Machine Co., metal sign boards	79 00
Charles A. Fletcher, posts, labor, etc.	28 30
C. H. Allen, labor and materials	16 40
Carl M. Taft, express, carting and labor	9 63
G. G. Davenport, labor and use of truck	14 00
H. S. Wood, labor	2 00
	<hr/> \$181 33

BONDS FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid H. A. Daniels	\$82 00
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WELCOME HOME DAY.

Paid George G. Davenport, medals and napkins . . .	\$76 32
J. J. Gibbs, ice cream . .	27 00
F. E. Stevens, turkeys and cooking . .	61 79
H. S. Wood, prizes . . .	19 00
Cahill's News Agency, crepe paper . .	1 80
E. F. Lilley, prizes . . .	9 25
C. L. Barnard, prizes . . .	1 00
F. C. Lowell, advertising, etc. . .	3 00
Charlescraft Press, printing . .	12 75
J. A. McKenzie, orchestra . .	16 42
P. O. Gaskill, Hopedale Band . .	70 00
National Decorating Co. . .	45 00
H. J. George, soda . . .	18 00
W. J. Carley, rolls . . .	2 40
Frank H. Wood . . .	9 30
Moore & Shattuck, sundries . .	17 70
Florence Darling, sundries . .	1 28
Florence H. Towne, silk . .	1 50
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	\$393 51

The selectmen report the liabilities and assets of the town as follows :—

LIABILITIES.

4 New School Building notes . .	\$2,000 00
4 New School Building notes . .	600 00
1 Note anticipation of revenue . .	1,000 00
Outstanding bills, estimated . .	110 00
Collector's salary, 2 years . .	200 00
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	\$3,910 00

ASSETS.

Due from State for aid to pensioners . .	\$ 216 00
Due from Collector, 1917 . .	87 93
Due from Collector, 1918 . .	381 91
Due from Collector, 1919 . .	2,337 96
Due from Collector, Cunningham estate . .	228 99

Bequest E. C. Fletcher, Library	. \$	206	80	
Cash in hands of treasurer	.	2,301	58	
				<u>\$5,764 17</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	.	.	.	.	\$	814	15
Moth scout	.	.	.	.		274	73
Street lights	.	.	.	.		503	68
Memorial Day	.	.	.	.		60	00
Old cemetery	.	.	.	.		47	25
Board of Health	.	.	.	.		71	50
Fire Department	.	.	.	.		114	76
State Aid	.	.	.	.		216	00
Tree Warden	.	.	.	.		41	60
Taft Public Library	.	.	.	.		327	24
Incidentals	.	.	.	.		1,131	81
Guide Boards	.	.	.	.		181	33
Welcome Home	.	.	.	.		393	51
Bonds for officers	.	.	.	.		82	00
Support of poor	.	.	.	.		837	07
Support of schools	.	.	.	.		6,056	43
Soldiers' relief	.	.	.	.		5	00
State road, North Avenue	.	.	.	.		1,058	04
Hay scales	.	.	.	.		693	00
Austin Wood relief	.	.	.	.		62	24
Highway, general repairs	.	.	.	.		5,440	37
Outstanding highway bills	.	.	.	.		507	06
							<u>\$18,918 77</u>

LIST OF JURORS, 1919.

Frank M. Aldrich,	Farmer.
Daniel H. Barnes,	Real Estate Dealer.
John J. Curley,	Carpenter.
Raymond L. Daley,	Clerk.
Franklin E. Goodnow,	Plumber.
Luther W. Holbrook,	Farmer.

Freeman C. Lowell,	Farmer.
Louis L. Marlow,	Moulder.
Archibald E. Miller,	Pattern Maker.
Everett D. Robinson,	Farmer.
Smith A. Steere,	Farmer.
Harry Taft,	Carpenter,
John M. Towne,	Watchman.
Edgar L. White,	Box Maker.
John P. Hoberg,	Tool Maker.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1919.

Support of schools, transportation of scholars, etc.	\$6,000 00
School physician	25 00
Repair of highways under direction of Massachusetts Highway Commission	2,150 00
Repair of highways under direction of highway surveyor	850 00
Support Taft Public Library	275 00
Interest	300 00
Town debt	650 00
Incidentals	800 00
Salaries of town officers	800 00
Officers' bonds	100 00
Board of health	150 00
Fire department, including forest fires	100 00
Tree warden	50 00
Moth scout	275 00
Street lights	310 00
Support of poor	1,000 00
Memorial day	60 00
New street lights.	150 00
Care of old cemetery	50 00
Suppression of liquor selling	50 00
New hay scales	650 00

Welcome Home day	\$400 00
New library building	800 00
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	\$15,995 00

Respectfully submitted,

CARL M. TAFT,
 GEORGE G. DAVENPORT,
 HERBERT S. WOOD,
 Selectmen of Mendon.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1916.

Dr.

To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1919	.	\$3 60	
Interest collected	.	19	
		_____	\$3 79

Cr.

By cash paid Treasurer	.	.	\$3 79
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1917.

Dr.

To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1919	.	\$621 86	
Interest received	.	61 12	
		_____	\$682 98

Cr.

By cash paid Treasurer	.	\$595 05	
Amount uncollected	.	87 93	
		_____	\$682 98

1918.

Dr.

To balance uncollected	.	\$3,312 47	
Interest received	.	110 73	
		_____	\$3,423 20

Cr.

By cash paid Treasurer	.	\$3,041 29	
Amount uncollected	.	381 91	
		_____	\$3,423 20

1919.

Dr.

To taxes committed for collection	.	\$15,941 70	
Additional assessments	.	\$1,015 50	
Interest received	.	38 62	
		<u> </u>	\$16,995 82

Cr.

By cash paid Treasurer	.	\$14,657 86	
Amount uncollected	.	2,337 96	
		<u> </u>	\$16,995 82

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD T. GASKILL,
Collector of Taxes.

Mendon, January 1, 1920.

Report of Committee on Hay Scale.

Paid for scale	.	.	.	.	\$193 72
Paid for setting	.	.	.	.	40 10
Paid for labor, material and freights	.	.	.	.	434 96
				<hr/>	\$667 78

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK M. ALDRICH,
WM. A. BARRY,
CHARLES H. ALLEN,
Committee.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The Highway Surveyor submits the following report for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1919:—

RESOURCES.

Balance of excise taxes, 1918	.	.	\$ 298 52
Appropriation under Chapter 155, 1918,			
Town and State	.	.	4,300 00
Appropriation for general repairs	.	.	850 00
Excise taxes, 1919	.	.	943 50
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			\$6,392 02

EXPENDITURES.

TEAMS.

Paid Charles A. Fletcher,	.	.	\$896 00
Percy T. Kinsley,	.	.	749 00
Moses W. Gaskill,	.	.	210 00
Erle F. Gaskill,	.	.	63 00
Wm. C. Robinson & Sons,	.	.	31 50
Frank Harding,	.	.	112 00
Wm. F. Irons,	.	.	94 50
John F. Powers,	.	.	77 00
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			\$2,233 00

LABOR.

Paid James C. Bassett	.	.	\$354 75
John M. Towne	.	.	312 75
Manuel T. Rogers	.	.	175 00
Roy Flooks	.	.	91 50
Joseph Stenson	.	.	51 00
Ernest L. Barrows	.	.	71 50
George Foster	.	.	216 00
George B. Cromb	.	.	88 50
Charles S. Kelly	.	.	268 75

Everett Ballou . . .	\$ 6 00
Alonzo E. Brown . . .	5 25
George G. Davenport . . .	8 30
Joseph Maranda . . .	40 50
Samuel W. Wood . . .	2 25
Charles H. Allen . . .	2 25
Edward Hoffses . . .	50 00
Fred Gifford . . .	50 00
Thomas McTurk . . .	5 00
	<hr/> \$1,799 30

INCIDENTALS.

Paid W. A. Barry, blacksmithing and repairs	\$ 29 65
Charles C. Ames, gravel	11 20
Clark Ellis & Sons, hardware	51 35
Charles A. Fletcher, plank and railing	58 90
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co., carting gravel	191 95
Fred A. Davenport, repairs on road	5 00
W. G. Vogel, repairs on State road	30 00
Standard Oil Co., oil	408 00
Town of Uxbridge, gravel	20 32
Frank Taft, repairs on wall	50 00
Staples & Gould, hardware	1 50
N E. Road Machine Co., scraper blade	12 00
Moses U. Gaskill, sand	10 50
Charles A. Fletcher, gravel	15 00
Moses U. Gaskill, gravel	5 40
George M. Taft, gravel	20 60
Abbie F. O'Connor, gravel	70
Walter A. Gaskill, gravel	5 90
Frank Russo, gravel	3 60

Charles A. Fletcher, surveyor	\$476 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,408 07
Amount expended		\$5,440 37
Unexpended balance		\$951 65

IMPROVEMENTS ON NORTH AVENUE.

RESOURCES.

Town appropriation	\$500 00	
From State of Massachusetts	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Fred Hoyle, labor	\$12 75	
J. C. Bassett, labor	58 50	
J. M. Towne, labor	58 50	
C. S. Kelly, labor	58 50	
George Foster, labor	58 50	
Edward Hoffses, chauffeur	68 84	
Fred Gifford, chauffeur	68 84	
Joseph Maranda, labor	43 50	
George B. Cromb, labor	47 50	
P. T. Kinsley, team	21 00	
M. U. Gaskill, team and gravel	8 40	
C. A. Fletcher, surveying and use of team	67 00	
P. A. Phipps, moving water cart	6 00	
H. M. Curtiss Coal Co., coal	26 10	
Uxbridge Auto Co., oil and gas	20 90	
James Daley, oil and gas	1 40	
R. H. Newell, steam roller	225 00	
Carl M. Taft, trucking	10 00	
Moore & Shattuck, gas and oil	159 31	
C. A. Fletcher, gravel	37 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,058 04

OUTSTANDING HIGHWAY BILLS, JANUARY 1, 1919.

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Highway Department, credit by balance	\$ 43 65
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Highway Department, credit by excise		
tax	\$735	81
Highway Department, credit by inter-		
est on excise tax	26	12
	<hr/>	\$ 805 58

Dr.

Howard King's bill for plank . . .	\$ 72	85
H. W. Gaskill, bill . . .	32	38
H. W. Gaskill, bill . . .	8	00
H. W. Gaskill, bill . . .	152	65
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co., labor		
on culvert	36	00
George R. Whiting, bill . . .	3	89
H. W. Gaskill, bill . . .	10	00
George R. Whiting, bill . . .	15	54
Town of Bellingham, repairs on bridge	2	00
Wm. F. Irons, pay roll . . .	85	75
Frank Harding, bill . . .	56	80
Staples & Gould, drain pipe . . .	31	20
	<hr/>	\$507 06
Balance unexpended		\$298 52

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. FLETCHER,

Surveyor.

Mendon, January 1, 1920.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the financial year ending December 31, 1919 :—

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Board of State Charities, support of one person	\$ 49 30
Board of two persons in private families	496 02
On account of three persons assisted in their homes	291 75
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	837 07

Balance unexpended	<hr/>	\$162 93
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Respectfully submitted,

P. JOHN HOBERG,
GEORGE G. DAVENPORT,
FRANK M. ALDRICH,

Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

DOGS LICENSED IN 1919.

91 males and spayed females at \$2 each	\$182 00
18 females at \$5 each	90 00
	<hr/> \$272 00
Clerk's fees	21 80
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	\$250 20
Cash paid County Treasurer	248 40
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Cash on hand January 1, 1920	\$1 80

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1919.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Parents, with Maiden Name of Mother.
1919.		
Jan. 2.	Frank Russo,	Frank and Julia Grasso.
Mar. 20.	John Bernard Powers,	Edward T. and Cecelia Conway.
Mar. 29.	Mildred Adaline Taft,	Clarence A. and Mary E. Benner.
July 12.	Flora Mary Leonchini,	Luigi and Anunciatta Simoncelli.
July 30.	Female.	
Aug. 11.	Mildred Louise Pennell,	Jacob L. and Miriam Alger.
Aug. 11.	Carl Runer Swanson,	Runer and Elsa Grytzell.
Sept. 4.	Shirley Wright Brown,	James A. E. and Edna Caswell.
Nov. 23.	Alfred Auty,	Alfred and Mary B. Mathews.
Nov. 25.	Eleanor Julia Brown,	Francis S. and Beatrice I. Cowee.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1919.

Date of Marriage.	Names.	Residence.
1919.		
Jan. 22.	Olyde B. Gregson,	Mendon, Mass.
	Lulu Lillian Weeks,	Mendon, Mass.
Mar. 1.	Henry Eugene Alger,	Uxbridge, Mass.
	Eva Belle Burlingame,	Mendon, Mass.
Mar. 16.	Berton Genette Brown,	Mendon, Mass.
	Ethel Marion Alexander,	Upton, Mass.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1919.—CONTINUED.

Date of Marriage. 1919.	Names.	Residence.
April 5.	Raner Swanson, Olara Elsie Grytzell,	Hopedale, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
April 21.	Francis K. Rondeau, Jr., Ora Mary Bartlett,	Northbridge, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
April 30.	John Bailey, Maybelle Henry,	Mendon, Mass. Pontiac, R. I.
June 18.	Henry Jason Ripley, Doris Bicknell Thayer,	Mendon, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
June 23.	Hormidas Lemieux, Almira Ferris,	Mendon, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
June 30.	Edmond Joseph Courtemanche, Marie E. Y. Beauchesne,	Mendon, Mass. Uxbridge, Mass.
Aug. 6.	George Ameer, Lois Annie Congdon,	Boston, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
Sept. 15.	George Lewis Hemond, Helen Howard Holbrook,	Holyoke, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 6.	Oscar Camille Courtemanche, Beatrice Amanda Ethier,	Mendon, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
Oct. 11.	Harley Oramel Houghton, Albertina Patterson Brackett.	Mendon, Mass. Portland, Maine.
Oct. 26.	Bernard Alvin Rogers, Helen Flora Gaskill,	Mendon, Mass. Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 28.	Rufus Edwin Taft, Pearl Frances Phipps,	Mendon, Mass. Milford, Mass.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1919.

Date of Death. 1919.	Name.	Age.		
		Y.	M.	D.
Jan. 2.	George Albert Parkinson,	46	8	5
Feb. 8.	Thomas J. McHugh,	27	7	16
Feb. 15.	Alfred Irving Barrows,	62	1	29
Feb. 20.	Alderman Clark Cook,	80	3	3
Mar. 5.	M. Louisa Rice,	64	4	18
Mar. 7.	Dorothy Maria McTurk,	17	11	21
Mar. 28.	John Carey Wood,	69	1	14
May 11.	John Thomas Byrne,	35	0	29
May 12.	Ella Jane Wood,	67	0	5
June 5.	Ferdinand Niro,	20	5	24
June 17.	Eleanor Wood,	14	5	22
June 18.	Catherine Schuyler Jones,	90	6	8

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1919.—CONTINUED.

Date of Death. 1919.	Name.	Age.		
		Y.	M.	D.
July 13.	Louise Mabel Holbrook,	1	0	15
July 30.	Female	0	0	0
Sept. 7.	Isabel G. McComb,	83	5	9
Sept. 14.	Ernestine Nason Neally,	8	2	4
Oct. 22.	Edward Lyman Cook,	37	6	21
Nov. 21.	George Mather Taft,	58	0	26
Nov. 24.	Moses Milton Coleman,	23	9	21
Dec. 6.	Ada Clara Taft,	61	8	6
Dec. 23.	Almira Lemieux.	71	0	0

If errors or omissions are discovered in the list of births, marriages or deaths, report them to the Town Clerk that the record may be corrected.

Blanks for the return of all Vital Records may be obtained of the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. ALLEN,
Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1920.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TRUSTEES OF
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees are pleased to report another successful year in the history of the Library.

The gifts of magazines and books during the year has been greatly appreciated, and in behalf of the citizens the Trustees wish to thank all who contributed in any way to the welfare of the Library.

Your Trustees would call the attention of the citizens to the report of the Finance Committee. With only the actual necessary running expenses and many hours of earnest work given freely by those interested in its welfare there is a deficit of \$30.11 in the Library funds. Your Trustees would recommend that the sum of \$400.00 be appropriated for the year 1920.

We are also pleased to mention the generous gifts by Mrs. Rosa F. Taft of Uxbridge of the Chapel building (so-called) and the sum of \$500.00, to be expended toward fitting it into a library, and with the \$800.00 appropriated by the Town your Trustees hope to have the structure put into suitable shape for a convenient and attractive home for our Library early in the year.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL M. TAFT,
FREEMAN C. LOWELL,
EDWIN L. WILSON,

Trustees of Taft Public Library.

Librarian's Report.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year was 5698 volumes. The largest for one week was 146, the smallest 61, the average 110. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction 4022, magazines 1126, bound magazines 51, biography 94, travel 47, history 84, literature 81, useful and fine arts 111, science 27, all others 55.

There are now 5589 volumes in the library; 128 have been added the past year; 45 were bought by the town; 27 were bound magazines, and 56 were given as follows: Massachusetts Free Public Library Commission 48, R. F. Taft 5, League to Enforce Peace 1, U. S. War Department 1, anonymous 1.

The library subscribes for the Century, Harper's Monthly, Scribner's, National Geographic, Field and Stream, Illustrated World, Scientific American, St. Nicholas, Ladies' Home Journal and Woman's Home Companion.

The Library Commission sends us the World's Work, Good Housekeeping, Popular Mechanics, and American Boy. \$12.50 was received for fines.

75 cents was received for old lamps.

Respectfully submitted,

LENA W. GEORGE,

Librarian.

Mendon, January 1, 1920.

Books Added in 1919.

Fiction :—

- Arrow of gold. Joseph Conrad.
Black stone. George Gibbs.
Buccaneer farmer. Harold Bindloss.
Christopher and Columbus. M. A. B. Arnim.
City of Comrades. Basil King.
Common cause. S. H. Adams.
Dere Mable. E. Streeter.
Desert of wheat. Zane Grey.
Dwellers in Arcady. A. B. Paine.
Flexible Ferdinand. J. M. Lippman.
Four horsemen of the Apocalypse. V. B. Ibanez.
Gay Dombeys. Harry Johnston.
Girl in the mirror. Elizabeth Jordan.
His friend Miss McFarlane. K. L. Bosher.
Jinny the carrier. Israel Zangwill.
Joan of Arc. Mark Twain.
Land girl's love story. Berta Ruck.
Man from the clouds. J. S. Clouston.
Mare Nostrum. V. B. Ibanez.
The Marne. Edith Wharton.
Miss Maitland, secretary. Geraldine Bonner.
Mr. Standfast. John Buchan.
Mystery of the 13th floor. Lee Thayer.
Number seventeen. Louis Tracy.
Over the sea for Uncle Sam. Elaine Sterne.
Patricia Brent, spinster.
Rainbow Valley. L. M. Montgomery.
Roll call. Arnold Bennett.
Secret city. Hugh Walpole.
Sky Pilot in No-Man's Land. Ralph Connor.
Strange case of Cavendish. Randall Parrish.

Thunder bird. B. M. Bower.
 Twenty-six clues. Isabel Ostrander.
 The undefeated J. C. Snaith.
 Under the greenwood tree. Thomas Hardy.
 White horse and the red-haired girl. Kenyon Gambier.
 Youth Plupy. H. A. Shute.

Juveniles:—

Adventures of Mabel. H. T. Peck.
 American boy's engineering book. A. R. Bond.
 Belgium. G. W. T. Omond.
 Betty Bide-at home. B. M. Dix.
 Blue Heron cove. F. L. McKinney.
 Boy's life of Napoleon. E. S. Brooks.
 Boy's life of Theodore Roosevelt. H. Hagedorn.
 Children's book of patriotic stories. A. B. Dickinson.
 Cornelia. L. F. Perkins.
 Dormitory days. A. S. Pier.
 English history story book. Blaisdell and Ball.
 Four great Americans. James Baldwin.
 Girls of Old Glory. M. C. DuBois.
 Girls of '64. E. B. Knipe.
 Golden goose. E. M. Tappan.
 Grit-a-plenty. Dillon Wallace.
 Home and country reader. M. A. Lasalle.
 I am an American. S. C. Bryant.
 In Santa Claus' house. Florence Irwin.
 John Bunyan's dream story. James Baldwin.
 Land of fair play. Geoffrey Parsons.
 Lest we forget. J. G. Thompson.
 Little Buffalo Robe. R. E. Beck.
 Little Cuba Libre. J. P. Duggan.
 Little girl's knitting book. F. Klickmann.
 Little Jean. H. D. Brown.
 Little tailor of the Winding Way. Gertrude Crownfield.
 Lost island. R. H. Barbour.
 Lords of the wild. J. A. Altsheler.
 Magic slippers. Mabel Blodgett.

Makers of many things. E. M. Tappan.
 Melissa-across-the-fence. A. H. Seaman.
 Mighty animals. J. I. Mix.
 My country's part. Mary Synon.
 Nature myths of many lands F. V. Farmer.
 Nature stories to tell to children. H. W. Seers.
 Old-time Hawaiians. M. S. Lawrence.
 Our patriots. W. F. Gordy.
 Peter and Polly. 4 Vols. Rose Lucia.
 Raven patrol of Bobb's Hill. C. P. Burton.
 Soldiers of the sea. W. J. Abbot.
 Stories from Dickens. J. W. McSpadden.
 Stories of other lands. James Johonnot.
 Stories of the Pilgrims R. G. Usher.
 Tom Slade on a transport. P. K. Fitzhugh.
 Ways of the six footed. A. B. Comstock
 Wonder of war in the air. F. Rolt-Wheeler.
 Working my way around the world. L. M. Franck.
 St. Nicholas. 4 Vols. 1917-18.

Non-Fiction :—

Belgium. 2 Vols. Brand Whitlock.
 Breath of life. John Burroughs.
 California desert trails. J. S. Chase.
 English for coming citizens. H. H. Goldberger.
 Have faith in Massachusetts. Calvin Coolidge.
 Letters to his children. Theodore Roosevelt.
 Our flag in verse and prose. R. H. Schauffler.
 Pilgrim in Palestine. John Finley.
 Revolutionary days. Princess Cantacuzene.
 Summit and the years. John Burroughs.
 Time and change. John Burroughs.
 Treasury of war poetry. Vol. 2. G. H. Clarke, ed.
 Truth about China. B. L. P. Weale.
 Under the apple trees. John Burroughs.
 Vacation tramps in New England. A. Chamberlain.
 War readings.
 War with Germany. L. P. Ayers.

What happened to Europe. F. A. Vanderlip.

Win the war for peace. W. H. Taft.

With the Yankee Division in France. F. P. Sibley.

Yashka. Maria Botchkareva.

Century Magazine. 3 Vols. 1917-18.

Harper's Magazine. 6 Vols. 1916-18.

National Geographic. 4 Vols. 1917-18.

Finance Committee Report.

The report of the Finance Committee of the Taft Public Library for the year ending December 3, 1919 :—

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$275 00
Balance of year 1918	8 88
Fines for year 1919	12 50
Sale of lamps	75
	<hr/> \$297 13

EXPENDITURES.

Edwin H. Taft, wood	\$12 00
Jordan, Marsh Co, books	5 49
Edward F. Driscoll, magazines	18 40
The H. R. Bunting Co., books	30 79
Lena W. George, salary	50 00
Jordan, Marsh Co., book	28
Carl M. Taft, express and cartage	6 59
Jacob R. Brown, janitor and labor	20 75
James Brown & Sons, binding	69 40
Denholm & McKay Co., books	16 78
The Old Corner Book Store, books	25 71
Edward F. Driscoll, magazines	6 95
Kinsley Barnes, janitor	3 50
Edwin L. Wilson, janitor and boxes	5 40
Lena W. George, salary	50 00
Lena W. George, cash paid for express	5 20
	<hr/> \$327 24
Overdrawn	<hr/> \$30 11

Respectfully submitted,

FREEMAN C. LOWELL,
Finance Committee.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of all the Town Officers who have received or disbursed funds belonging to the town for the fiscal year ending January 1, 1920, and find them correctly kept and with proper vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER W. HOLBROOK,
Auditor.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

FOR THE

School Year 1919.

ORGANIZATION OF
School Committee, 1919.

FREEMAN C. LOWELL (Chairman),
CLARENCE A. TAFT (Secretary),
J. FRANK LEONARD,

Term expires 1922.
Term expires 1921.
Term expires 1920.

SUPERINTENDENT.

F. G. ATWELL.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

LYMAN COOK,

F. G. ATWELL,
JACOB R. BROWN.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Committee submits the following report for the year ending Jan. 1, 1920 :—

RESOURCES.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1919	.	.	.	\$ 137 46
Appropriation	.	.	.	6,000 00
Appropriation for School Physician	.	.	.	25 00
From State of Massachusetts, Income				
School Fund	.	.	.	1,187 07
From State of Mass., High School Grant				500 00
From F. J. Dutcher, Superintendent	.	.	.	375 00
From County Treasurer, dog tax	.	.	.	208 62
From City of Boston, tuition	.	.	.	86 10
From damages to building	.	.	.	4 70
From E. E. Babb & Co.,	.	.	.	15 75
From Milford Savings Bank, interest				
from North Ave. School Fund to				
balance	.	.	.	31 48
				<hr/>
				\$8,571 13

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers	.	.	.	\$4,813 79
Superintendent	.	.	.	714 00
Transportaton	.	.	.	1,088 81
Fuel	.	.	.	398 66
Care of rooms	.	.	.	534 70
Text books and supplies	.	.	.	230 42
School Physician	.	.	.	25 00
Incidentals	.	.	.	227 18
Tuition	.	.	.	38 57
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				\$8,571 13

TEACHERS.

Herbert A. Wisbey	.	.	.	\$1,372 50
Caroline Stearns	.	.	.	675 00
Beatrice Taft	.	.	.	264 00

Verena Daley	\$534 83
Mary E. Dudley	620 50
A. M. Lincoln	270 83
Maria E. Allen	253 00
Delphia Streeter	210 00
Gertrude Rhodes	549 13
Gertrude Arey	32 00
Ernestine H. Wilcox	32 00
	<hr/> \$4,813 79

SUPERINTENDENT.

F. G. Atwell	\$714 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co. .	\$276 81
J. F. Leonard	456 00
H. J. George	96 00
C. M. Taft	260 00
	<hr/> \$1,088 81

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

Dr. K. A. Campbell	\$25 00
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FUEL.

H. M. Curtiss Coal Co. . . .	\$840 66
L. F. Thayer & Son	12 00
C. A. Fletcher	46 00
	<hr/> \$898 66

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

E. E. Babb & Co. . . .	\$64 54
American Book Co. . . .	13 20
Ginn & Co. . . .	9 64
D. C. Heath & Co. . . .	10 24
J. L. Hammett Co. . . .	93 04
McMillan Co. . . .	32 01
F. G. Atwell	7 75
	<hr/> \$230 42

CARE OF ROOMS.

Jacob R. Brown	\$124 00	
Maria E. Allen	12 50	
Minnie F. Thayer	50 00	
N. LaChance	9 00	
Frank Hoyle	39 20	
		<hr/>
		\$534 70

TUITION.

City of Worcester	\$38 57
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INCIDENTALS.

Werber & Rose, shades . . .	\$15 00
Pierre Norman, sawing wood . .	3 00
Sanford, Putnam Co., order book .	9 58
Forbes Co, lettering diplomas . .	75
J. J. Gibbs, denatured alcohol . .	2 00
E. T. Powers, labor on heating plant and supplies furnished . . .	33 11
Charles H. Kimball, express and cash paid	6 64
Minnie F. Thayer, labor at East Men- don and supplies furnished . .	11 75
E. Luis Sabbatinelli	8 49
Moore & Shattuck, supplies furnished .	2 43
F. G. Atwell, telephone, supplies and cash paid	20 14
H. S. Chadbourne, floor oil, glass, broom, brushes, curtain cord, etc. . .	21 47
Lillian F. White, taking school census	15 00
Worcester Rubber Co., rubber tips .	3 72
Wright & Potter Printing Co, record cards	1 45
Jacob R. Brown, oiling floor, setting glass, varnishing desks, etc. .	18 50
The Charlescraft Press, graduation pro- grams	4 75
Henry L. Patrick Co., lawn mower .	10 00

Freeman C. Lowell, attending two district committee meetings . . .	\$ 2 50	
J. F. Leonard, attending two district committee meetings . . .	2 50	
Clarence A. Taft, cleaning vault, attending three district committee meetings, salary, etc. . .	17 15	
J. H. Dudley, services at church graduation	2 00	
James F. Newton, transportation .	1 00	
Leslie A. Cole, sawing and housing wood	8 25	
George E. Thayer, use of well two years	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$227 18

Respectfully submitted,

FREEMAN C. LOWELL,
CLARENCE A. TAFT,
J. FRANK LEONARD,
School Committee.

January 1, 1920.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON :

It is unfortunate that the school reports of the district are due this year at a time when a change of superintendents is taking place. Not that school reports are very important, but they are customary.

The town is fortunate to have all its schools in session, for there are hundreds of schools in our country which have been obliged to close entirely or accept a teacher of much lower grade of preparation than usual, and especially in towns where salaries are as low as they have been in Mendon. It is very gratifying to me at this time to know that salaries in Mendon have been equalized so that they are much nearer the standard than formerly.

I shall repress whatever inclination I may have to write a farewell report or a resume of my term of service. There is however one fact I wish to mention. It is refreshing to find a town whose teachers yet have the old-fashioned New England conscience; who would be just as devoted to the work whether their salary was twelve dollars per week or twenty-five; who feel the sacredness of that old expression, "A charge to keep, I have"; who are still proud of the fact that they belong to a profession and are not tainted by a desire to strike or join a union of the Soviet.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. ATWELL.

Hopedale, Mass., January 19, 1920.

TEACHERS AND SALARIES, JANUARY, 1920.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	SALARIES PER YEAR.	PREPARATION.
High, Principal, Assistant, Grammar, Intermediate, Primary, East Mendon, Albeeveille, Music,	Herbert A. Wisbey, Caroline E. Stearns, Verena Daley, Annie M. Lincoln, Mary E. Dudley, Gertrude Rhodes, Mildred Irons, Ernestine Harding Wilcox,	\$1400 00 750 00 650 00 650 00 750 00 650 00 \$14 per week \$4 per week	Rhode Island State College. Mt. Holyoke College. Mendon High School. Hyannis Summer School. Mendon High School. Franklin High School. Mendon High School. Private Instruction.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1919-1920.

SCHOOLS.	SCHOOL YEAR.	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
		Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
High School, Grades.	40 weeks.	1919 Sept. 2	1919. Dec. 19	1919 Dec. 29	1920. March 19	1920. March 29	1920 June 18
	36 weeks.	Sept. 8	Dec. 19	1920 Jan. 5	March 12	March 29	June 11

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1920-1921.

SCHOOLS.	SCHOOL YEAR.	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
		Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
High School, Grades,	40 weeks.	1920 Sept. 7	19.20 Dec. 24.	1921 Jan. 3	1921 March 25	1921 April 4	1921 June 24
	36 weeks.	Sept. 13	Dec. 24.	Jan. 10	March 18	April 4	June 17

Holidays :—

Labor Day, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following, January 1, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

ATTENDANCE DATA, 1918-1919.

RANK OF SCHOOLS BASED ON PERCENTAGE OF ATTENDANCE.					
East Mendon	.	.	Gertrude Rhodes	.	91.26
High School	.	.	Mr. Wisbey	.	90.21
Intermediate	.	.	Verena Daley	.	89.06
Grammar	.	.	Beatrice Taft	.	86.82
Primary	.	.	Miss Dudley	.	85.64
Albeeville	.	.	Mrs. Allen	.	80.60
Average for the Town, 1918-1919					87.26

RANK OF SCHOOLS BASED ON DAYS OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.					
Miss Rhodes	.	.	.	.	59
Mrs. Allen	.	.	.	.	33
Mr. Wisbey	.	.	.	.	24
Miss Taft	.	.	.	.	16
Miss Dudley	.	.	.	.	15
Mrs. Daley	.	.	.	.	12

STATISTICAL TABLE, SEPTEMBER, 1918, TO JUNE, 1919.

	High School.	Grammar.	Intermediate.	Primary.	East Mendon.	Albeeville.	Summaries and averages.
Total enrolment	32	30	44	31	12	24	173
Aggregate attendance	4308	3573	5526	3687	1876	2779	21749
Average attendance	25	22	35	23	12	16	133
Days of actual schooling	166	159	159	159	159	167	161
Average membership	28	26	39	27	13	20	153
Per cent of attendance	90.21	86.82	89.06	85.64	91.26	80.60	87.26
Between 5 and 7 years of age	0	0	0	11	6	2	19
Between 7 and 14 years of age	5	20	43	20	6	20	114
Between 14 and 16 years of age	15	10	1	0	0	2	28
Over 16 years of age	9	0	0	0	0	0	9
Total days of absence	467	549	629	641	182	611	3079
Instances of tardiness	172	97	96	32	12	149	558
Instances of dismissal	42	66	13	6	3	15	145
Visits by superintendent	39	37	39	33	10	3	161
Visits by school physician	0	1	1	2	1	0	5
Visits by others	13	6	12	17	27	23	98

GRADUATING EXERCISES
OF THE
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
AT THE
UNITARIAN CHURCH

Thursday Evening, June 19, 1919

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

PROGRAM.

Processional March	Mrs. Gertrude Arey.	
Invocation -	Rev. Charles F. Niles.	
Song—"Holy Art Thou"	High School Chorus.	Handel
Essay—"Theodore Roosevelt"	Leonard Macuen Rogers.	
Song—"Water Lilies"	Girls' Chorus.	Linders
Essay—"Life of the French People"	Ethel Bernice Eldredge	
Song—(a) "Those Evening Bells"	High School Chorus.	Sheppard
(b) "Snow-time"	Girls' Chorus.	Johnson
Class History and Prophecy	George Kenneth Taft.	

Song—"Dreaming"	Denza
Girls' Chorus.	
Address—"The Education Worth While"	
H. C. Cowell, Principal of Cushing Academy.	
Presentation of Diplomas	
"Star Spangled Banner"	
Recessional March	

CLASS OF 1919.

Ethel Bernice Eldredge,

George Kenneth Taft,

Leonard Macuen Rogers.

*Class Motto—He Conquers Who Endures.**Class Colors—Copenhagen and White.**Class Flower—White Rose.*

TOWN WARRANT.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon, in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Mendon, on Monday, the first day of March next, punctually at nine o'clock, A. M., to act on the following articles, viz.:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following officers: A Town Clerk, for one year; Three Selectmen for one year; One Assessor for three years; Three Overseers of Poor for one year; Town Treasurer for one year; Collector of Taxes for one year; Auditor for one year; One Constable for one year; One Highway Surveyor for one year; One Tree Warden for one year; One Trustee for Taft Public Library for two years; One School Committee for three years; One Park Commissioner for three years; One Park Commissioner for two years to fill vacancy; also bring in their votes Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the report of the several town officers and committees, and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To raise such sums as are necessary to pay town charges and make appropriations for the same.

Article 6. To see what measures the town will adopt to secure the speedy collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer

